

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A neck of a synthetic resin bottle comprising:

a round neck wall; and

~~multiple screw threads in a multi-threaded~~ a screw structure comprising screw threads disposed ~~on the~~ on an outer surface of ~~said the~~ round neck wall, each of ~~said the~~ screw threads ~~comprising a main thread in charge of a screwing function, comprising:~~

a main portion;

_____ a starting extension extending from a main thread-start point of the main thread main portion, with a width and a height thereof of the starting extension being reduced gradually from the from dimensions of said the main thread portion; and

_____ an ending extension extending from a main thread an end point of the main thread main portion, with a width and a height thereof of the ending extension being reduced gradually from the dimensions of said the main thread portion, the ending extension having a same length as the starting extension;

wherein;

_____ the starting extension of a screw thread each of the screw threads is vertically disposed on the neck wall above the ending extension of another screw thread, thread of the screw threads; said ending extension having the same length as the starting extension, and

_____ wherein said the neck is entirely whitened by a thermal crystallization crystalline treatment.

2. (Currently Amended) The neck of the synthetic resin bottle according to claim 1 wherein the starting extension and the ending extension are formed by reducing the

width and height gradually ~~at the~~ at a same, roughly constant ~~rates~~ rate ~~from a~~ from the start ~~point of the main thread portion start point and an~~ and the end point of the main thread portion. end point.

3. (Currently Amended) The neck of the synthetic resin bottle according to claim 1 wherein ~~said~~ the neck has ~~a multi-threaded~~ the screw structure comprising a number n of the screw threads ~~in a number of n, threads,~~ with n being 2 or a larger integer, wherein main thread zones amounting to the number of n are formed in a central angle range of a little less than $360^\circ/n$, in ~~which zones the~~ the main thread zones, rows of main ~~threads portions~~ of at least two screw threads are disposed obliquely in parallel, ~~with one~~ with a first main thread portion laid above ~~the other,~~ a second main portion, and wherein ~~each of~~ thread extension zones ~~is formed between two~~ are formed between each of ~~said~~ the main thread zones that are equally spaced around the neck, with the starting extension of at least one of ~~said~~ the screw threads being disposed above the ending extension of another screw thread in each thread extension zone.

4. (Currently Amended) The neck of the synthetic resin bottle according to claim 1 wherein a groove is formed in the outer surface of ~~a round~~ the round neck wall ~~in the~~ in a circumferential direction and disposed at a height above the screw threads, at a specified central angle position, and in a specified central angle range to ~~prevent the~~ prevent an occurrence of sinks, which tend to develop in a top end face of the round neck wall ~~under the effect of~~ due to the thermal crystallization treatment.

5. (Previously Presented) The neck of the synthetic resin bottle according to claim 4, wherein the groove is formed around the neck as intermittent groove segments.

6. (Currently Amended) The neck of the synthetic resin bottle according to claim 3 wherein a groove is formed peripherally ~~in the~~ in the portions other than the thread extension

zones and is disposed in the outer surface of ~~a round~~the round neck wall at a height above the screw threads to control ~~the sinks~~sinks caused by the thermal crystallization treatment.

7. (Currently Amended) The neck of the synthetic resin bottle according to Claim 1 wherein a bead ring is disposed on the outer surface of the round neck wall right under the ~~threaded areas~~screw threads and is used to fit a pilfer-proof cap made of a synthetic resin.

8. (Currently Amended) The neck of the synthetic resin bottle according to Claim 7 wherein the neck is of a structure in ~~which the~~which a neck ring is disposed below the bead ring and wherein ~~the neck including~~ the bead ring and the neck ~~ring is~~ring are whitened by the thermal crystallization treatment.